

Committee Meetings

HEALTH CARE REFORM

Committee on Education and Labor: Held a hearing on Health Care Reform Alternatives: Single-Payor Plan. Testimony was heard from Senator Wellstone; Representatives McDermott and Stark; and public witnesses.

IMPACT OF SECONDHAND SMOKE AND SMOKE-FREE ENVIRONMENT ACT

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health and the Environment held a hearing on the impact of secondhand smoke and H.R. 3434, Smoke-Free Environment Act of 1993. Testimony was heard from Carol Browner, Administrator, EPA; M. Jocelyn Elders, M.D., Surgeon General, U.S. Public Health Service, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

EMPOWERMENT ZONES AND ENTERPRISE COMMUNITIES

Committee on Public Works and Transportation: Subcommittee on Economic Development held a hearing to review current efforts and plans of the Economic Development Administration and the Appalachian Regional Commission as well as other Agencies to support Empowerment Zones and Enterprise Communities with Infrastructure Development. Testimony was heard from Wilbur F. Hawkins, Acting Assistant Secretary, Economic Development, Department of Commerce; Peter B. Edelman, Counselor to the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services; Michael T. Savage, Deputy Director, Economic Development, Department of Housing and Urban Development; Michael R. Wenger, States' Washington Representative, Appalachian Regional Commission; and Peter Necheles, Special Assistance to the Under Secretary, Small Community and Rural Development, USDA.

HEALTH CARE REFORM—INNER-CITY AND RURAL COMMUNITIES

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Health continued hearings on Health Care Reform: Issues relating to inner-city and rural communities. Testimony was heard from Representatives Stenholm, Roberts, and Thomas of Wyoming; Philip Lee, M.D., Assistant Secretary for Health, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

Hearings continue February 9.

Tuesday, February 8, 1994

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 1474–1551

Measures Introduced: Three bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1835–1837.

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Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H.R. 3759, making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1994, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 1608, to rescind certain budget authority proposed to be rescinded in special messages transmitted to the Congress by the President on November 1, 1993, in accordance with title X of the Congressional Budget and Impoundment Control Act of 1974, as amended, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 1832, to rescind certain budget authority proposed to be rescinded in a special message transmitted to the Congress by the President on February 7, 1994, in accordance with title X of the Congressional Budget and Impoundment Control Act of 1974, as amended, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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Measures Passed:

School-to-Work Opportunities Act: By 62 yeas to 31 nays (Vote No. 32), Senate passed H.R. 2884, to establish a national framework for the development of School-to-Work Opportunities systems in all States, after striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof, the text of S. 1361, Senate companion measure, after agreeing to a modified committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and taking action on amendments to be proposed thereto, as follows:

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Adopted:

(1) Kassebaum (for Dole) Modified Amendment No. 1433, to express the sense of the Senate regarding a limitation on the amount of funds appropriated to carry out School-to-Work Opportunities programs.

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(2) Murkowski Amendment No. 1434, to include Alaska Natives in a program for Native culture and arts development.

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Rejected:

Gorton Amendment No. 1429, to encourage the placement of youths in private sector jobs under the Summer

Youth Employment and Training Program. (By 50 yeas to 43 nays (Vote No. 31), Senate tabled the amendment.)

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Withdrawn:

Kassebaum (for Coverdell) Amendment No. 1432, to prohibit the use of funds for School-to-Work Opportunities programs until the deficit increase resulting from fiscal year 1994 emergency spending is eliminated.

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By unanimous-consent agreement, Kassebaum Modified Amendment No. 1424, to allow States to combine certain Federal funds to develop and establish statewide School-to-Work Opportunities, agreed to on Monday, February 7, 1994, was further modified.

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Senate insisted on its amendment, requested a conference with the House thereon, and the Chair appointed the following conferees: Senators Kennedy, Pell, Metzenbaum, Dodd, Simon, Harkin, Mikulski, Bingaman, Wellstone, Wofford, Kassebaum, Jeffords, Coats, Gregg, Thurmond, Hatch, and Durenberger.

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Subsequently, S. 1361 was indefinitely postponed.

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Goals 2000: Educate America Act: By 71 yeas to 25 nays (Vote No. 34), Senate passed H.R. 1804, to improve learning and teaching by providing a national framework for education reform, to promote the research, consensus building, and systemic changes needed to ensure equitable educational opportunities and high levels of educational achievement for all American students, to provide a framework for reauthorization of all Federal education programs, and to promote the development and adoption of a voluntary national system of skill standards and certifications, after striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the text of S. 1150, Senate companion measure, after taking action on further amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

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Adopted:

(1) By a unanimous vote of 93 yeas (Vote No. 26), Grassley Modified Amendment No. 1388, to prohibit the use of certain funds for activities related to a student's personal values, attitudes, beliefs, or sexual behavior without certain consent, notification, access to information, and an opportunity for a hearing, to provide for enforcement of such prohibition, and to require the Secretary of Education to designate or establish an office and review board within the Department of Education.

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(2) By 91 yeas to 2 nays (Vote No. 29), Kennedy/Jeffords Amendment No. 1393, to ensure that all federally funded programs which provide for the distribution of contraceptive devices to unemancipated minors develop procedures to encourage family participation in such programs.

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(3) By a unanimous vote of 93 yeas (Vote No. 30), Jeffords/Gregg Dodd Amendment No. 1420, to express the sense of the Senate that the Federal Government should provide States and communities with adequate resources under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act as soon as reasonably possible, through the reallocation of funds within the current budget constraints.

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(4) Levin Amendment No. 1394, to provide that no funds shall be denied to any State or local agency because it has adopted a constitutional policy relative to prayer in public schools.

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Rejected:

(1) By 41 yeas to 52 nays (Vote No. 25), Coats Amendment No. 1386, to provide a low-income school choice demonstration program.

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(2) By 32 yeas to 61 nays (Vote No. 27), Mack Amendment No. 1389, to achieve significant school reform and innovation through empowering parents, students, teachers, and local school boards.

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(3) By 34 yeas to 59 nays (Vote No. 28), Helms Amendment No. 1390, to prohibit the use of funds to support the distribution or provision of condoms or other contraception devices or drugs to an unemancipated minor without the prior written consent of such minor's parent or guardian.

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By unanimous-consent agreement, Kennedy (for Burns) Amendment No. 1404, to provide that nothing in this Act shall be construed to authorize an officer or employee of the Federal Government to mandate, direct, or control the use by a public, private, religious, or home school of any curricular framework, instructional material, examination, assessment or system of assessment, agreed to on Friday, February 4, 1994, was modified.

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Senate insisted on its amendment, requested a conference with the House thereon, and the Chair appointed the following conferees: Senators Kennedy, Pell, Metzenbaum, Dodd, Simon, Harkin, Mikulski, Bingaman, Wellstone, Wofford, Kassebaum, Jeffords, Coats, Gregg, Thurmond, Hatch, and Durenberger.

Subsequently, S. 1150 was indefinitely postponed.

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Emergency Supplemental Appropriations—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for the consideration of H.R. 3759, making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1994, on Wednesday, February 9, at 10 a.m.

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Appointment:

Defense Environment Response Task Force: The Chair, pursuant to Public Law 102-380, on behalf of the

Majority Leader, and with the concurrence of the Speaker of the House of Representatives, appointed Paul O. Reimer, of California, as a member of the Defense Environmental Response Task Force.

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Messages From the President: Senate received the following message from the President of the United States:

Transmitting a report of proposed rescissions of budget authority; which was referred jointly, pursuant to the order of April 11, 1986, to the Committee on the Budget, to the Committee on Appropriations, to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition and Forestry, to the Committee on Armed Services, to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, to the Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation, to the Committee on Foreign Relations, to the Committee on Finance, to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources, and to the Committee on Environment and Public Works. (PM-85).

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Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By 79 yeas to 16 nays (Vote No. 33), M. Larry Lawrence, of California, to be Ambassador to Switzerland.

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K. Terry Dornbush, of Georgia, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of the Netherlands.

Thomas L. Siebert, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to Sweden.

Sidney Williams, of California, to be Ambassador to the Commonwealth of The Bahamas.

J. Davitt McAteer, of West Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of Labor for Mine Safety and Health.

James A. Joseph, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service.

Shirley Sachi Sagawa, of Virginia, to be a Managing Director of the Corporation for National and Community Service.

Stuart E. Weisberg, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission.

James A. Scheibel, of Minnesota, to be a Director of the ACTION Agency.

Routine list of nominations in the Foreign Service.

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Record Votes: Ten record votes were taken today. (Total—34)

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Recess: Senate convened at 9:15 a.m., and recessed at 5:50 p.m., until 10 a.m., on Wednesday, February 9, 1994. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page 1551).

Committee Meetings

NOMINATION

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Frederick Gilbert Slabach, of Mississippi, to be Assistant Secretary of Agriculture for Congressional Relations, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Cochran, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Appropriations: Committee ordered favorably reported the following bills:

H.R. 3759, making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1994, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (As approved by the committee, the bill incorporates provisions of S. 1608 and S. 1832.);

S. 1608, to rescind certain budget authority proposed to be rescinded in special messages transmitted to the Congress by the President on November 1, 1993, in accordance with title X of the Congressional Budget and Impoundment Control Act of 1974, as amended, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

S. 1832, to rescind certain budget authority proposed to be rescinded in a special message transmitted to the Congress by the President on February 7, 1994, in accordance with title X of the Congressional Budget and Impoundment Control Act of 1974, as amended, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

HUBBLE SPACE TELESCOPE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies concluded hearings to examine National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) efforts to repair the Hubble Space Telescope, after receiving testimony from Jeremiah W. Pearson III, Associate Administrator, Office of Space Flight, Wesley T. Huntress, Jr., Associate Administrator, and Edward Weiler, Program Scientist, Hubble Telescope, both of the Office of Space Science, and Richard C. Covey, Commander, Kenneth Bowersox, Pilot, and Story Musgrave, Tom Akers, Jeffrey A. Hoffman, Kathryn C. Thornton, and Claude Nicollier, all Mission Specialists, all Members of the STS-61 Crew, all of NASA.

AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Committee held hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1995

for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, receiving testimony from William J. Perry, Secretary of Defense; and John M. Shalikashvili, Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

RUSSIAN ECONOMIC REFORM

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded hearings to examine the condition of the Russian economy, focusing on the impact of International Monetary Fund and World Bank policies on Russia's economic health and political future and the implications for the United States, after receiving testimony from Lawrence H. Summers, Under Secretary of the Treasury for International Affairs; Thomas W. Simons, Jr., Coordinator of United States Assistance to the Newly Independent States, Department of State; Jeffrey Sachs and Marshall Goldman, both of Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts; Jude Wanniski, Polyconomics, Morristown, New Jersey; and Peter Reddaway, George Washington University, Washington, D.C.

1995 BUDGET

Committee on the Budget: Committee held hearings in preparation for reporting the first concurrent resolution on the fiscal year 1995 budget for the Federal Government, receiving testimony from Leon E. Panetta, Director, Office of Management and Budget.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Greta Joy Dicus, of Arkansas, Margaret Hornbeck Greene, of Kentucky, Frank G. Zarb, of New York, William J. Rainer, of Connecticut, and Kneeland C. Youngblood, of Texas, each to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the United States Enrichment Corporation, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. Rainer was introduced by Senators Dodd and Lieberman, and Mr. Youngblood was introduced by Senator Bradley.

URUGUAY ROUND

Committee on Finance: Committee held hearings to examine the results of the Uruguay Round trade negotiations and what more needs to be accomplished before the trade agreements are to be signed on April 15, 1994, as well as the timing and process for implementation of the agreements, receiving testimony from Michael Kantor, United States Trade Representative.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

NOMINATION

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Strobe Talbott, of Ohio, to be Deputy Secretary of State, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senators Glenn and Metzenbaum, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Edward Jay Gleiman, of Maryland, to be a Commissioner of the Postal Rate Commission, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Sarbanes, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 14 public bills, H.R. 3807–3820; and 6 resolutions, H.J. Res. 319–320, H. Con. Res. 203–204, and H. Res. 351 and 353 were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 1933, to authorize appropriations for the Martin Luther King Jr. Federal Holiday Commission, extend such Commission, establish a National Service Day to promote community service, amended (H. Rept. 103–418 Pt. I, filed on February 3); and

H. Res. 352, to reauthorize the independent counsel law for an additional 5 years.

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Journal: By a yea-and-nay vote of 235 yeas to 147 nays, Roll No. 14, the House approved the Journal of Monday, February 7.

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International Conferences: The Speaker, upon the recommendation of the Chairman of the Committee on Ways and Means, appointed Representatives Rostenkowski, Gibbons, Matsui, Archer, and Crane as official advisers to the United States delegations to international conferences, meetings, and negotiation sessions relating to trade agreements during the Second Session of the One Hundred Third Congress on the part of the House.

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Military Base Closures: The Speaker and the Majority Leader of the Senate jointly appointed Mr. Paul O. Reimer, from private life, to the Task Force to Make Findings and Recommendations for Environmental Restoration at Military Bases Scheduled for Closure, effective January 26, 1994.

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Individuals with Disabilities: House agreed to H. Res. 351, to agree to the Senate amendment to the bill H.R. 2339, to revise and extend the programs of the Technology-related Assistance for Individuals With Disabilities Act of 1988, with an amendment—returning the measure to the Senate.

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Irish-American Heritage Month: House passed S.J. Res. 119, to designate the month of March 1994 as

"Irish-American Heritage Month"—clearing the measure for the President.

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Recess. House recessed at 3:16 p.m. and reconvened at 4:02 p.m.

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Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate today appears on page 1552.

Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea-and-nay vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appears on page 1580. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 2:00 p.m. and adjourned at 8:41 p.m.

Committee Meetings

USDA REORGANIZATION ACT

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Department Operations and Nutrition approved for full Committee action amended H.R. 3171, Department of Agriculture Reorganization Act.

LEGISLATIVE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Legislative held a hearing on the GPO and on Public Witnesses. Testimony was heard from Michael F. DiMario, Public Printer, GPO; and public witnesses.

DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION

Committee on Armed Services: Met in executive session to continue hearings on the fiscal year 1995 national defense authorization, receiving a classified briefing on world trouble spots and potentially hostile forces. This Committee was briefed by Joseph S. Nye, Chairman, National Intelligence Council.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT ACT REFORM PROPOSAL

Committee on Banking, Finance, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Consumer Credit and Insurance held a hearing on the Administration's Community Reinvestment Act reform proposal. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Treasury: Eugene A. Ludwig, Comptroller, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency; and Jonathan L. Fiechter, Acting Director, Office of Thrift Supervision; Lawrence B. Lindsey, member, Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System; Andrew C. Hove, Jr., Acting Chairman, FDIC; and public witnesses.

REGULATORY COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT ACT REFORM

Committee on Banking, Finance and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on General Oversight, Investigations, and The Resolution of Failed Financial Institutions concluded

hearings on proposed Regulatory Community Reinvestment Act reform. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

ADMINISTRATION'S BUDGET PROPOSAL

Committee on the Budget: Held a hearing on the Administration's Fiscal Year 1995 Budget Proposal. Testimony was heard from Lloyd Bensten, Secretary of the Treasury; Alice M. Rivlin, Deputy Director, OMB; and Laura D'Andrea Tyson, Chairman, Council of Economic Advisers.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Education and Labor: Ordered reported amendments to the following bills: H.R. 6, Elementary and Secondary Amendments of 1993; and H.R. 2455, Safe Schools Act of 1993.

HEALTH CARE REFORM PROPOSALS

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health and the Environment continued hearings on health reform proposals, with emphasis on the prescription drug benefit in the Health Security Act. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Services: Philip R. Lee, M.D., Assistant Secretary; and Helen L. Smits, Deputy Administrator, Health Care Financing Administration; and public witnesses.

Hearings continue February 10.

COMMUNICATIONS INFRASTRUCTURE

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Telecommunications and Finance continued hearings on Communications Infrastructure, with emphasis on H.R. 3626, Antitrust Reform Act of 1993, and Manufacturing and Information Services. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

ENVIRONMENTAL EXPORT PROMOTION ACT; GATT—EXPERTS VIEW

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Economic Policy, Trade and Environment approved for full Committee action the Environmental Export Promotion Act of 1994.

The Subcommittee also held a hearing on GATT—The Experts View. Testimony was heard from a public witness.

ANTI-SEMITISM GLOBAL DIMENSIONS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on International Security, International Organizations and Human Rights held a hearing on Global Dimensions of Anti-Semitism. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Navigation approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 3786, Recreational Boating Safety Improvement Act of 1994; and H.R. 3360, Ballast Water Control Act.

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 3516, to increase the amount authorized to be appropriated for assistance for highway relocation regarding the Chickamauga and Chattanooga National Military Park in Georgia; and S. 1574 and H.R. 3377, to authorize appropriations for the Coastal Heritage Trail Route in the State of New Jersey. Testimony was heard from Representatives Hughes, Darden and Deal; and Denis Galvin, Associate Director National Park Service, Department of the Interior.

HEALTH SECURITY ACT—EFFECTS OF HEALTH BENEFITS ON POSTAL EMPLOYEES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Held a hearing on the effect of H.R. 3600, Health Security Act of 1993, on the health benefits of Postal Service employees. Testimony was heard from Joseph Mahon, Jr., Vice President, Labor Relations, U.S. Postal Service; and public witnesses.

INDEPENDENT COUNSEL REAUTHORIZATION ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a recorded vote of 5–4, a rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 811, Independent Counsel Reauthorization Act of 1993. Section 302(f) of the Congressional Budget Act is waived against consideration of the bill. The rule makes in order as an original bill for the purpose of amendment, the Judiciary Committee substitute not printed in the bill. The substitute shall be considered as read. Section 302(f) of the Congressional Budget Act and clause 5(a) of Rule XXI are waived against the committee substitute. The rule makes in order only those amendments printed in the report, to be considered in the order and manner specified in the report, with debate also specified in the report. The amendments are not subject to amendment except as specified in the report, are considered as read, and are not subject to a demand for a division of the question. All points of order are waived against the amendments printed in the report. The rule provides one motion to recommend with or without instructions.

After passage of H.R. 811, the rule makes in order to consider S. 24 in the House. All points of order are waived against the Senate bill and against its consideration. The rule makes in order a motion to strike all after the enacting clause of S. 24 and insert the text of H.R. 811 as passed by the House. All points of order are waived against the motion. If the motion is adopted and the Senate bill is passed, the rule makes in order a motion that the House insist on its amendments to S. 24

and request a conference. Testimony was heard from Chairman Brooks and Representatives Bryant, Traficant, Fish, Hyde, Gekas, Ramstad, and Meyers of Kansas.

ANTARCTIC ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ACT

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology: Subcommittee on Science held a hearing on H.R. 3532, Antarctic Environmental Protection Act of 1993. Testimony was heard from R. Tucker Scully, Director, Office of Oceans Affairs, Department of State; and public witnesses.

GOVERNMENT SPONSORED RESEARCH INVOLVING RADIOACTIVE MATERIALS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Held a hearing on government sponsored research involving radioactive materials conducted in VA Medical Centers. Testimony was heard from Jesse Brown, Secretary of Veterans Affairs; and public witnesses.

HEALTH CARE REFORM

Committee on Ways and Means: Held a hearing on the CBO's analysis of the Administration's health care reform proposal. Testimony was heard from Robert D. Reischauer, Director, CBO.

HEALTH SECURITY ACT—SELECTED TAX PROVISIONS

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Select Revenue Measures held a hearing on Selected Tax Provisions in the Administration's Health Security Act. Testimony was heard from Leslie B. Samuels, Assistant Secretary, Tax Policy, Department of the Treasury; and public witnesses.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

TRADE AGREEMENTS RESULTING FROM GATT

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Trade continued hearings on the trade agreements resulting from the Uruguay Round of multilateral trade negotiations under the auspices of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT). Testimony was heard from Rufus H. Yerxa, Deputy U.S. Trade Representative; Jeffrey E. Garten, Under Secretary, International Trade, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

Hearing continues February 22.

Joint Meetings**BOSNIA-HERZEGOVINA**

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe (Helsinki Commission): Commission held hearings to examine the current situation in Bosnia and Herzegovina, focusing on the prospects of a negotiated settlement, receiving testimony from Leonard Sullivan, System Planning Corpora-

tion, and Lionel Rosenblatt, Refugees International, both of Washington, D.C.; and Kemal Kurspahic, *Oslobodenje*, Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Commission recessed subject to call.

Wednesday, February 9, 1994

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 1689–1837

Measures Introduced: Five bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1838–1842, S.J. Res. 162, and S. Res. 180.

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Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. Res. 94, expressing the Sense of the Senate with respect to the tragic humanitarian crisis in Sudan.

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Measures Passed:

Directing Senate Legal Counsel: Senate agreed to S. Res. 180, to direct the Senate Legal Counsel to represent the Office of Senate Fair Employment practices in *Betty Johnson v. Office of Senate Fair Employment Practices*, No. 94–6002 (Fed. Cir.)

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Emergency Supplemental Appropriations: Senate began consideration of H.R. 3759, making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1994, with a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows:

Pages 1689, 1722, 1777

Adopted:

(1) Reid Modified Amendment No. 1436, to clarify the requirements for long-term Federal assistance to individuals who are not legal residents of the United States.

Pages 1700, 1728

(2) Reid Modified Amendment No. 1438 (to Amendment No. 1436), in the nature of a substitute.

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(3) By a unanimous vote of 95 yeas (Vote No. 36), D'Amato Amendment No. 1442, to extend the Resolution Trust Corporation civil statute limitations.

Pages 1753, 1775

(4) Murkowski Modified Amendment No. 1443 (to Amendment No. 1442), of a perfecting nature.

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(5) Byrd (for Hatfield) Amendment No. 1446, to assure that funds made available for Community Development Block Grants to areas damaged by the Midwest floods of 1993, for flood mitigation activities, will be uti-

lized for permanent measures that reduce the potential for further flood losses.

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(6) Byrd (for Bond/Harkin) Amendment No. 1447, relating to eligibility of assistance from the Soil Conservation Service for repairs of levees damaged during the flooding in the Midwest in 1993.

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(7) Byrd (for Harkin) Amendment No. 1448, to provide for the funding of crop loss disaster assistance for 1993 losses of nursery stock and inventory for commercial sale.

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(8) Byrd (for Conrad) Amendment No. 1449, to repeal the land return provisions of the Three Affiliated Tribes and Standing Rock Sioux Tribe Equitable Compensation Act (Title 35, Public Law 102–575).

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(9) Byrd (for Sarbanes/Mikulski) Amendment No. 1450, to express the sense of the Congress that the Department of Defense should proceed with construction of a new facility for the Walter Reed Army Institute of Research at Forest Glen, Maryland.

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(10) Byrd (for Mikulski) Amendment No. 1451, to provide funds to the Council on Environmental Quality.

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Rejected:

(1) Kerrey/Robb Amendment No. 1439, to express the sense of the Senate the disaster relief assistance provided by this bill should be funded through the enactment of a temporary Federal tax on gasoline.

Pages 1711, 1722

(2) Kerrey Amendment No. 1440, to provide a more effective, efficient, and responsive Government. (By 65 yeas to 31 (Vote No. 34), Senate tabled the amendment.)

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(3) Hatfield Amendment No. 1441 (to Amendment No. 1440), in the nature of a substitute. (The amendment fell when Amendment No. 1440, listed above, was tabled.)

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Pending:

(1) Brown Amendment No. 1444, to delete funds for the costs of electronic communications records management activities of the Executive Office of the President.

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(2) Murkowski Amendment No. 1445, to express the sense of the Senate that Federal spending priorities need to be reevaluated in light of the recent earthquake in California and other frequently occurring natural disasters and that the Presidential Election Campaign Fund check-off should be replaced with a checkoff for Federal disaster relief assistance.

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(3) Kerry Amendment No. 1452, to reduce the deficit for fiscal years 1994 through 1998.

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